

### **REMARKS**

The present application, as amended, now stands with pending claims 1-28 and 38-39, where claims 1, 8, 11, 13, 16, 22, 25 and 26 are independent.

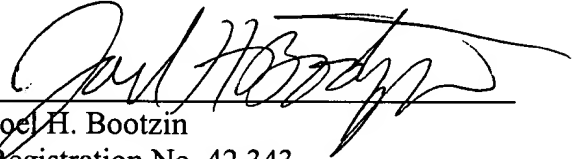
Applicant thanks the Examiner for acknowledgment of allowable subject matter in claims 6-11, 13-15, 21-28 and 38-39.

Applicant amended the claims to adopt the allowable subject matter indicated by the Examiner rendering the outstanding rejections moot. Thus, claims 2, 4 and 29-37 have been cancelled. Claim 1 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 1, 2, 4 and 6. Claim 8 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 1, 2, 4 and 8. Claim 11 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 1, 2, 4 and 11. Claim 13 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 12 and 13. Claim 16 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 16, 17, 19 and 21. Claim 22 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 16, 17, 19 and 22. Claim 25 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 16, 17, 19 and 25. Claim 26 is amended to include the subject matter of claims 16 and 26.

For all of the above reasons, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the pending claims. The Examiner should contact the undersigned attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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